IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Takeshi TANIMOTO et al.

Group Art Unit: 2852

Serial Number: 10/050,173

Examiner: Sandra L. Brase

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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND DEVELOPING DEVICE

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SUBMISSION OF FORMAL REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

September 16, 2004

Sir:

Applicant submits herewith 1 sheet of Replacement formal drawings for the above-identified application.

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Fig. 14. This sheet, which includes Figs. 13 and 14, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 13 and 14. Figure 14 has been designated - - Prior Art - -, as requested by the Examiner in the Office Action dated March 28, 2002. In response thereto, Applicants filed a Request for Approval of Drawing Changes on July 29, 2002, submitting an informal corrected drawing sheet. Said drawing sheet was approved by the Examiner via the Notice of Allowance issued on September 3, 2004.

If any fees are required in connection with this submission, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Figure 14 – Replacement Sheet

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